

## JUNTY OFFICERS

Continue in Office Until Statehood Question is Finally Settled.

## MERRILL CHOSEN SUPERVISOR

Graham and Greenlee Boards to Meet and Separate Property and Divide Money

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The political aspirations of several candidates were blasted when the true construction was placed on the clause in the enabling act which continues all county officers in office until the statehood question is finally settled by admittance or rejection.

The board proceeded to fill the vacancy in its membership caused by Supervisor George Webster becoming a member of the board of supervisors of Greenlee county, under the county division act.

There were two candidates, Phil C. Merrill, of Pima, and J. Frank Wootan, of Aravaipa. Mr. Merrill was chosen. The board then proceeded to organize by electing H. J. Dowdle chairman. E. W. Clark will continue as clerk of the board.

No new appointments were made by the board.

The two boards of supervisors of Greenlee and Graham counties will meet next Monday for the purpose of making the separation of property for each county, also to ascertain the amount of monies on hand in the county treasury and make division of same, according to the provisions of the county division act.

## LOSES HIS FINGERS

Frank Andrews Meets With Accident on His Ranch

Frank Andrews, who lives on his ranch in Artesia, met with an unfortunate accident Wednesday of last week. While leading a horse with a chain, the horse jumped back, snapping the chain around Andrews' left hand, cutting the little finger, wounding the third finger at joint and the top of second finger, besides cutting a deep gash on first finger.

Mr. Andrews started at once for Safford, where his wounds were dressed by Dr. Warner.

The accident was particularly unfortunate, as Mr. Andrews is a fine violin player, and the loss of his finger will interfere with his playing the violin.

## Removal Notice

C. J. McElroy has moved his real estate office from the new postoffice building to the office formerly occupied by Dr. Brenner, on Tenth street, next to B. F. Thum & Co. Mr. McElroy will continue in the real estate, insurance and loan business.

## CARD OF THANKS

We desire to thank our many friends for their kindness and sympathy extended to us during the sickness and death of our beloved mother, Mrs. Eliza Welker.

## Removes to Safford

George H. Crosby, Jr., has removed his law offices from Thatcher to Safford, and is now located in the old postoffice building, corner Tenth and M streets.

## BANDS VISIT EDEN

Valley Musicians Enjoy a Feast and Then Automobile Troubles

Owing to several of the automobiles engaged for the trip to Eden Sunday by the Safford band, being out of commission, the boys made the trip in two hacks and the Jacobson car.

On their way down the valley they met the Academy band, which made the trip in cars belonging to Warren Smith, Frank Webster and Jerry Hatch.

Both bands stopped at the Watson ranch on the way to Pima and rendered several pieces, which were greatly enjoyed by Mr. Watson and family.

Arriving at the Pima depot, they were joined by the Eden band. The bands played several pieces, while George Jacobson was busy patching at inner tube that had been punctured by a nail.

From the depot the three bands went to the school house and played patriotic airs. Their next stopping place was in front of the Marshall House. A large crowd gathered here to enjoy the music, each band playing several pieces.

It was after twelve o'clock when the bands started on their way to Eden. J. H. Blair joining the procession with his auto at Pima. The hacks going ahead, made the trip to Eden without mishap. The autos went along alright until they came to the river, when Jerry Hatch's car stuck in the quicksand. After a half hour's work, Jerry's car was pulled out, and then Frank Webster's car struck a soft spot near the shore. After a short delay, the Webster car was released, and the cars then reached the other side.

On the across, the cars made the trip to Eden in good time. Arriving there the boys found the good place there to greet them. The good people of Eden gave them a hearty welcome and then ushered the boys into the hall, where two long tables were spread for a feast. A fine duck dinner had been provided, and everything in the way of meat, salads, vegetables, fruits, cakes and pies, enough to satisfy a regiment, filled the festive board. Everybody was hungry and the dinner was greatly enjoyed.

After dinner, a speech of welcome was given by the visitors by Prof. Christensen. Prof. Clayton, T. T. Swift and George Clawson responded in happy speeches for the bands.

The members of the band then adjourned to the Relief Society building, where a meeting was held. Prof. Clayton made a report in regard to the musical convention to be held in Pima, April 8th, and outlined the work for the musical organizations of the valley who will take part. Prof. Clayton announced the officers of the convention, as follows: President, P. H. McBride; Vice President, Lawrence T. Christensen; Secretary, Wm. M. Clayton.

The following were added to the committee: Safford, Mrs. T. T. Swift and W. C. Faulkner; Thatcher, Miss Edna Lee and Ed Phillips; Eden, Mrs. Martha M. Fuller and Charles Smithson, Jr.

After the meeting, the bands got together in front of the church and played singly and together for about an hour. The people of Eden assembled near the bands and were generous in their encores.

During the concert, Warren Smith, Frank Webster and George Jacobson made the little folks happy by giving them automobile rides down the road and back.

It was near five o'clock when the concert concluded, and the start for home was made. The automobiles took the lead, on the road to the crossing at Pima, the hacks crossing at Eden.

Everything was looking good for a quick trip home, when Warren Smith's car struck a high center on a ditch bank and landed in the middle of the ditch. The car was finally hauled out of the ditch and Warren began to make repairs, with the assistance of Mr. Swift and others.

Just as the evening shadows were falling, and everybody was near freeze to death, the Smith car took on a new lease of life, and the party started for Pima down the Bryce lane. Opposite Bryce's, Smith's car broke a bolt and another halt was made, while Warren tried to repair the break with baling wire. Not succeeding, the car was run in on the Bryce place, those with Smith getting places on the other cars, and the party started again for Pima. This time everything went smooth, good time was made to Pima, where the Blair car stopped, and the other cars then made the trip to Thatcher and Safford, the Jacobson car reaching Safford about



## WILL GROW CANTALOUPE

Gila Valley Farmers Will Be Helped by Eastern Firm

A. G. Smith has received word from Crutchfield & Woolfolk, the largest commission firm in Pittsburgh, Pa., that E. E. Carls, their Southwestern representative, would be in Safford early this month to take up the proposition with the Gila valley farmers who have agreed to grow a crop of cantaloupes the coming season.

This Pittsburgh firm, who are the largest handlers of cantaloupes in the country, and who have just been awarded the contract to handle the cantaloupe output of the Yuma Cantaloupe Association, will, through their representative, Mr. Cadwalder, make arrangements to handle the cantaloupe crop of the Gila valley. So far there has been about 270 acres promised by different valley farmers, who have agreed to grow cantaloupes, the whole crop to be taken care of and marketed by Crutchfield & Woolfolk.

## OBITUARY

Mrs. Eliza Welker, aged 61 years, died at her home on I street, Saturday, December 31, 1910, from pneumonia. Mrs. Welker had been ill for several months, suffering from a gripe and dropsy, which later developed into pneumonia, resulting in her death.

Mrs. Welker came to Safford 25 years ago, with her husband, Alfred Welker, and family of two sons and daughter. Mr. Welker died in 1896. Mrs. Welker continued to reside in Safford till her death. She is survived by her two sons, David and Arthur E., and her daughter, Mrs. H. M. Merrill, who resides at Duncan.

The funeral services were held in Layton church, and were attended by a large number of friends and members of the deceased. The Layton choir furnished the music. Bishop J. R. Welker, who led the services, and John Welker told of the noble qualities of the deceased and the high esteem in which she was held by her many friends. President Andrew Kimball spoke on "The Resurrection."

The interment was made in Union cemetery.

## FIND SULPHIDE ORE

Lone Star Consolidated Doing Development Work

Chas. Spalding reports opening up a good body of sulphide ore in the tunnel on the Clara claim, property of the Lone Star Consolidated Copper Company. The claims are located in the Lone Star mining district, about ten miles north of Safford.

The company has a force of miners developing the property, under the direction of Mr. Spalding.

Eight o'clock. The hacks arrived in Safford about seven o'clock.

Everybody enjoyed the day, notwithstanding the auto troubles. The people at Eden gave the bands the greatest reception ever yet received by the musicians, and their hospitality will never be forgotten by the members of the bands of Safford and Thatcher.

## DEAL GOES THRU

J. M. Foster Sec. of Part of Big Ranch and Becomes Owner of Olney Home

J. M. Foster closed the deal Monday night which has been under way for some time, by which he was to dispose of his interests in part of the old Henry Dial ranch, on the Solomonville road, southeast of Safford.

Mr. Foster sold the south half of the ranch below the Montezuma canal, consisting of seventy-five acres, to Messrs. Robert and George Morris and Floyd Scarlett. George A. Olney is also included in the deal and he turns over his residence on the corner of Fifteenth and M streets, which now becomes the property of Mr. Foster.

Mr. Foster retains the eighty-five acres above the Montezuma canal, which he will continue to cultivate. Mr. and Mrs. Olney and daughter, Miss Beulah, will vacate their residence on January 15th. Mrs. Olney and Miss Beulah will leave for El Paso, Texas, where they will visit with friends for several weeks, after which they will go to Tucson and Phoenix, visiting relatives and friends before going to Los Angeles, Cal. The Olneys will locate permanently either at Los Angeles or Hollywood.

Mr. Olney will remain here for some time, as his business interests will require all of his attention. He expects to join his family in California in the spring.

## XMAS ENTERTAINMENT

Ft. Thomas Literary Society Rendered Fine Program

The Ft. Thomas Literary Society gave an Xmas entertainment in the school house, Friday evening, December 23d, which was largely attended.

After an interesting program, consisting of music, dialogues, recitations, etc., Santa Claus made his appearance in full dress, gave a short talk to the children and gave them gifts from the tree, which was beautifully decorated and loaded down with good things.

All went home highly pleased with the evening's entertainment.

## WEBSTER IS CHAIRMAN

Greenlee County Board of Supervisors Organize

Tuesday, the board of supervisors elected at the recent election in Greenlee county, held its first meeting. George Webster, who was the holdover member of the Graham county board, and who now becomes a member of the Greenlee county board, under the provisions of the county division act, was chosen chairman of Greenlee county's first board of supervisors.

The board elected J. H. Kirby, of Clifton, as assessor, and Mr. Wheatley, of Clifton, as clerk of the board.

## TEACHERS' INSTITUTE.

Session Held in Douglas, Arizona, December 27 to 30

The Arizona Teachers' Association and Joint County Institute was held in Douglas, Ariz., December 27 to 30. Only four counties in the Territory, Graham, Cochise, Gila and Santa Cruz, were represented the session.

Chas. A. McMurray, of Douglas, and Prof. James S. Hsieh, of Chicago, were a number of present and delivered very interesting lectures.

It was decided that Gila, Graham and Greenlee counties would hold a joint county institute in 1911 in Thatcher.

Teachers from Graham county who attended the institute were as follows:

Safford—Miss Lucy Purdum, Anna Pickles, Bertha Brownlee. Solomonville—Prof. Albert Finley.

Clifton—Professors E. C. Bunch, Olof Halverson, T. P. Jamison, Misses Mabel E. Cavanaugh, Elizabeth A. Trumpp, Laura Agnew, L. W. Wallace, Mary Terrell, Hattie Span, Mary Murtaugh, Mary Tuttle, Marina Priest, Lourdes Priest, Etta Martin, M. L. Teel.

Thatcher—Prof. J. N. Heywood, Oscar J. Jerngaard, Viola Freeland, Etta Lee, Nellie Nash, Maud Appel, Coral M. Paden, Prof. John Nash of the L. D. S. Academy and Supt. J. A. Woods.

Pima—Lillie A. Edwards, Edna Lee, Elsie L. Curtis, Zina Curtis.

San Jose—Mrs. Coralie Page Dawson.

Moroni—Prof. C. A. Goggin, Florence McGowan, Florence Rogers, Lou Dyingier, Lexie Mead, Louise Bach, Pearl McCool, Mary Merced, Olive Wells, Cora Coleman, Bessie E. Munro, Mae Crozier, Jessie Lloyd.

Metzalf—Cora Hefferman, Annie Priest, Mildred Porter.

Lone Star—Prof. Jesse C. Wanslee.

Franklin—Prof. S. L. Sieg.

Eden—Zilpha Kempton, Minnie Bilby.

Lee—Carrie E. Simpson.

Ash Creek—Maud Y. Martin.

## TUNNEL COMPLETED

Good Progress Being Made on Reservoir in Gramas

The Gila Valley Electric, Gas and Water Company report that the forces of miners at work in the big outlet tunnel at their reservoir site in Frye canyon, Graham mountains, have completed the work.

The work of building the concrete bulkhead for the pipe and valve connections will proceed at once. When this latter work is completed the construction of the dam will commence.

Have you a weak throat? If so, you cannot be too careful. You cannot begin treatment too early. Each cold makes you more liable to another and the last is always the hardest to cure. If you will take Chamberlain's Cough Remedy at the outset you will be saved much trouble. Sold by Safford Drug Co. 46-4t

## SAFFORD IN 1894

The First Protestant Church of the Gila Valley Was Erected Here

[By R. S. PATTERSON]

SAFFORD, A. T., Jan. 27, 1894. The citizens of Safford were called together in an informal meeting, after services, by the Rev. Mr. Crouch, for the purpose of making arrangements to [for] building a Methodist Church building.

The following citizens were appointed a committee of arrangements: Edward Tuttle, chairman; Dr. E. L. Cassels, secretary; James Pursley, Peter Anderson, Mrs. Robert Nash, Mrs. James Morris and Mrs. Hartzler.

"After some discussion of plans the meeting adjourned to meet Monday evening, January 29th, at Mr. Tuttle's."

The above minutes are self-explanatory. It will be seen by them that seventeen years have passed since the first steps were taken, looking to the erection of this, the first Protestant church in Safford, if not in the Gila valley, and what changes have been wrought in our town, in the valley and among the people in those seventeen years!

But three of the original building committee remain with us, Peter Anderson, Mrs. James Morris and Mrs. Nash. Dr. Cassels is dead. Mr. Tuttle, Mr. Pursley and Mrs. Hartzler now live in California.

Rev. Mr. Crouch who is now located at Yuma, Arizona, came here some time before this and preached to the people in the old school house, near the depot; but there was no depot here then, as it was before the advent of the railroad. As a result of Mr. Crouch's preaching, the people saw the necessity of having a house in which to worship, and the result was the erection of the Methodist Church and the organization of that denomination in Safford. This was to be expected, for the Methodists have long been known as the pioneer church, carrying the gospel into every nook and corner where man

lived.

The second meeting of the committee, all were present, except Mr. Pursley, and the following officers were announced:

Mr. Tuttle offered four of the school house (where church is now located), also 4,000 shingles and 5,000 adobes.

Peter Anderson agreed to give 1,000 feet of flooring and 3,000 shingles.

John Blake gave 5,000 adobes.

Dr. Cassels gave 1,000 feet of rough lumber and \$20.00 in labor.

James Morris gave 3,000 shingles and \$25.00 in team work.

Mr. Hartzler gave \$25.00 in carpenter work.

H. M. Jeter gave \$25.00 in labor.

Rev. Crouch gave 20.00 in labor.

A plan known as "Plan No. 101A," was adopted and Mrs. James Morris was appointed treasurer.

Thus will be seen the liberality of the people of this section. Not much cash was in evidence, but of what they had they gave liberally. It will be remembered that at this very time our country was plunged into the very worst panic and financial depression it had experienced for many years, and thousands, yes, hundreds of thousands of men, were out of work all over the land; yet the people of this valley scarcely knew there was a panic.

(To be continued)

## INSTALL NEW OFFICERS

Mt. Graham Lodge, I. O. O. F., Gives Banquet

Monday night, Mt. Graham Lodge, No. 24, I. O. O. F., installed the recently elected officers of the lodge for the ensuing term, as follows: Weaver Brier, N. G.; Guy Houck, V. G.; P. D. Gardner, secretary; B. F. Thum, treasurer; R. D. Williams, warden; B. F. Thum, conductor; E. A. Anderson, R. S. N. G.; William Kirtland, L. S. N. G.; Chas. Spaulding, R. S. V. G.; Jesse Barnett, L. S. V. G.; Lon Warclaw, R. S. S.; S. L. Hornbuckle, chaplain; J. N. Stratton, P. G.

After the installation ceremonies, two tables were spread and loaded down with the good things provided by the banquet committee, consisting of oyster stew, fried oysters, olives, pickles, chicken salad, crackers, cake and coffee.

About forty people sat down to the festive board and enjoyed the repast, while Prof. Lytich rendered several finely executed musical numbers on the piano.

The banquet broke up at a late hour, guests and members declaring they had a most enjoyable evening.

Advertise in THE GUARDIAN.

## RECEIVE SUPPLIES

Train Load Leaves Chihuahua for Navarro's Troops at Padernelles

## AMERICANS GO TO MIA

Insurrectos are Badly Organized and Have Retreated from Guerrero

A train carrying supplies for Navarro, at Padernelles, with Americans bound for mines, Chihuahua, January 2d. The train will pass through Mal Paso, garrisoned by government troops.

Unconfirmed reports say the insurrectos have retreated from Guerrero, but this is doubted. Time ago several revolutionists, a correspondent they could not tempt to defend the town, sit in a hollow surrounded by hills upon which the enemy would all the advantage.

An American, who arrived in Chihuahua Monday, confirmed the reported previous stories of the organized condition of the insurrectos. Cipriano Portillo, a small rancher, affiliated with neither side but took advantage of the disorder to rob a hospital of its store of liquor, has been executed by the revolutionists. Portillo, with ten men, was riotous for three days or the stolen liquor, terrorizing the Guerrero district. He was caught by the insurrectos and shot.

Foreigners fear that when the insurrectos are hard pressed they will kill a few Americans in the hope of bringing about an intervention.

Recently, W. Burling Tucker, a Californian, and prominent in this country, was stood up against a wall at Minaca and was about to be shot as a spy by a half-drunk squad of revolutionists, and was saved only by the devotion of a German storekeeper, who staked his own life as a guarantee of the neutrality of Tucker.

Four times the rifles were raised to shoot, but the signal to fire was postponed by the protestations of the German.

## SCHOOL APPORTIONMENT

Graham County Schools receive \$50,036.45

The following apportionment of school funds was made by County Superintendent of Schools J. A. Woods, December 31, 1910:

Safford	\$3368 10
Duncan	1438 80
Clifton	9335 85
Thatcher	4251 00
Solomonville	1651 35
Pima	2354 40
Fort Thomas	408 75
Graham	506 85
Klondike	327 00
San Jose	981 00
Eden	964 65
Central	784 80
Aravaipa	327 00
Layton	1618 65
Mathews	327 00
Bonita	327 00
Bryce	359 70
Morenci	8714 55
Metzalf	2043 75
Lone Star	637 65
Carter	332 40
Blue	272 50
Sanches	425 18
Chilton	327 00
Geronimo	327 00
Hubbard	555 90
Franklin	604 95
Coon	327 00
Russell	327 00
Day	272 50
Emery	327 00
Sheldon	327 00
Lee	327 00
Coronado	670 35
Provo	272 50
Guthrie	327 00
Toledo	272 50
Artesia	376 05
Shiloh	343 35
Ashton	272 50
Enterprise	327 00
California	327 00
Eagle	327 00
Copper Creek	327 00
Ash Creek	327 00
Fairview	327 00
Total	\$50,036.45

## ANNOUNCEMENT

William R. Chambers announces that he has resigned as Clerk of the District Court of Graham County, and will, after January 29th, 1911, engage in the general practice of law, with offices located at Solomonville.

